



City of Redmond Planning Commission March 10, 2004 Meeting Summary

Planning Commissioners in Attendance:

Kimberly Allen, Gordon Bluechel, Kate Dunn, Charlie McCarthy, Korby Parnell, and Martin Snodgrass

Planning Commissioner not in Attendance:

Sue Petitpas

Staff in Attendance:

- Terry Marpert, Erika Vandenbrande, Lori Peckol, Sarah Stiteler, Gary Lee, Redmond Planning Department;
- Rob Crittenden, Redmond Public Works Department;
- Tim Cox, Redmond Parks Department.

Business Conducted:

Chair Martin Snodgrass called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

The agenda was approved.

Under Items from the Audience, several speakers spoke to the Planning Commission about their concerns regarding the proposed amendments to the Transportation Management Program (TMP) regulations contained in the Redmond Community Development Guide (RCDG). The proposed amendments are part of a package of minor amendments to the RCDG.

Chair Snodgrass then opened the study session on the minor amendments. The commissioners discussed the amendments: changing the impact fee definition to classify previously unclassified land uses as manufacturing uses; updating the TMP requirements; updating street dedication and improvements regulations; moving the Building Code out of the RCDG to the Redmond Municipal Code (RMC); updating clearing, grading and storm water management requirements; and changing impact fees regulations to allow exemptions for buildings that the City would lease. The commissioners decided to study the TMP changes further. Chair Snodgrass said that he would establish a Planning Commission subcommittee to work with staff to clarify the issues raised by the various speakers under Items from the Audience, and come back to the Planning Commission with a recommendation on the proposed TMP requirements.

The Commission asked that a slight word change be made to the street dedications requirements. They added language stating that tapers made in areas where street improvements are constructed and connected to unimproved sections of the street, be done to the “minimum extent necessary to assure traffic safety.”

A motion was made by Commissioner McCarthy to approve a recommendation in favor of adopting the other minor amendments, excluding the proposed changes to the TMP regulations. The motion was approved 6-0.

Chair Snodgrass opened the study session on the Parks and Recreation Element. Sarah Stiteler and Tim Cox reviewed the list of issues previously discussed with the Planning Commission. Ms. Stiteler stated that she would work to incorporate the comments made by the commission, and come back to the commission in a few weeks to talk further about the parks amendments.

Chair Snodgrass opened the study session on the Downtown Redmond Element. Gary Lee made a presentation on the different aspects of changes to the Downtown plan. He will come back to the commission to discuss proposed changes, as well as gather input from the public at the public hearing on March 17th.

The Planning Commission adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

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